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1. THE ONLY MEDICAL FACILITY IN THE EASTERN PROVINCE OF SAUDI ARABIA CONSIDERED ADAQUATE BY WESTERN STANDARDS IS THE DHAHRAN HEALTH CENTER RUN BY THE ARABIAN-AMERICAN OIL CO. (ARAMCO) IN DHAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA. UNFORTUNATELY THIS FACILITY IS OPEN ONLY TO ARAMCO EMPLOYEES AND THEREFORE NOT AVAILABLE TO THE VAST MAJORITY OF AMERICANS RESIDENT HERE. THE REMAINDER OF THE MEDICAL FACILITIES HERE GREATLY VARY IN QUALITY BUT ONLY TWO ARE CONSIDERED ACCEPTABLE FOR USE BY AMERICAN CITIZENS, THE AL-SHARQ HOSPITAL AND THE AS-SALAMA HOSPITAL IN AL-KHOBAR, SAUDI ARABIA. THE CONSULATE GENERAL ADVISES ALL AMERICANS WITH SERIOUS HEALTH PROBLEMS OR CHRONIC ILLNESS TO SERIOUSLY CONSIDER THE LACK OF ADAQUATE MEDICAL FACILITIES BEFORE TRAVELING AND RECOMMENDS THAT AMERICAN CITIZENS WHO BECOME SERIOUSLY ILL WHILE IN SAUDI ARABIA BE MEDICALLY EVACUATED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

2. THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF ENGLISH SPEAKING
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DOCTORS WITH U.S. OR BRITISH CERTIFICATION:
-DR. WALID NUR AWWAD; AL-SHARQ HOSPITAL
SPECIALTY-PEDIATRICS
-DR. AHMED CHAOUKI BAROUDY; AL-SHARQ HOSPITAL
SPECIALTY-UROLOGY
-DR. SIVA DAVAMANI; AS-SALAMA HOSPITAL
SPECIALTY-INTERNAL MEDICINE (SURGERY) AND UROLOGY

-DR. BASSEM M. RIMLAWI; AL-SHARQ HOSPITAL
SPECIALTY-OBSTRETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY
-DR. GEORGE BENJAMIN SAADETH; AL-SHARQ HOSPITAL
SPECIALTY-INTERNAL MEDICINE (SURGERY)
-DR. M. SALEH; AS-SALAMA HOSPITAL
SPECIALTY-GYNECOLOGY
-DR. AMIN SBEL; AS-SALAMA HOSPITAL
SPECIALTY-PED EXMSG

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3. THE AS-SALAMA HOSPITAL IS LOCATED ON NASSER
STREET DOWNTOWN AL-KHOBAR AND CAN BE CONTACTED AT
TELEPHONE CIDVEDTHZ QMZHLHGR 41232. THE AL-SHARQ
HOSPITAL IS LOCATED ON DHAHRAN STREET BETWEEN
AL-KHOBAR AND THUGBA AND CAN BE CONTACTED AT
TELEPHONE NUMBERS 41162 OR 43355. IF UNABLE TO
REACH OR LOCATE EITHER HOSPITAL, PLEASE CONTACT
THE AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL IN DHAHRAN AT
TELEPHONE NUMBER 43200.
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